

GREENWOOD'S GRAVES.

The Politicians After a Bone.

FACTS AND FIGURES OF THE GREAT CEMETERY.

Attempts of Politicians to Control its Funds and Raid on its Treasury.

There are 182,040 people in Greenwood Cemetery. Of these 440 are hard at work grading, digging, sodding and planting, the rest are asleep in death. On all this costly band, the broad acres of the cemetery and the \$500,000 carefully laid away for use in a rainy day.

That eye is always quick to detect anything with a bone in it, and believing that Greenwood offers opportunity for patronage, at all events to plunder, perhaps the public will not be surprised to hear that efforts have been made and are still making to wrest the control of this vast property from the hands of the men who designed and perfected it, and to transfer it to trustees who will be able at election time for political ends. The first step toward this end—that is, the first public step—was an endeavor to commit the Legislature to such a change in cemetery charters as would compel Greenwood to pay the

assessments for public improvements in its vicinity. A very strenuous and determined effort was made to secure this legislative action, but it failed for the time being, the non-concurrence of the committee to which it was referred killing it. Greenwood does not stand alone in its interest in opposition to this scheme, for nearly every town in the State has its rural cemetery, and all are liable to be affected in the same way. About the same time Alderman McIntire, of Brooklyn, introduced a bill in the Board of trustees, Messrs. Pierpont and Perry, were appointed a committee to wait upon the Board and explain the position of the corporation, and show by the terms of the charter that Greenwood is forever exempt from taxes and assessments. A short time since the Corporation Counsel expressed his opinion that such was the fact. In spite of this, and the failure both at Albany and Brooklyn, it is believed that further attempts will be made to compel the Cemetery corporation to pay for some of the reserve funds, and if not compliance is not made litigation and vexation will probably follow. These persistent attempts to wrest the

control of Greenwood from the hands of gentlemen who originated the scheme and have managed it without compensation since 1839 have two ends in view:—

First.—The dissipation of large patronage. Second.—The control of the reserve fund, which varies from \$400,000 to \$800,000. At a meeting yesterday the Comptroller, Mr. Perry, said that although Prospect Park has more acres of land than Greenwood, Greenwood has three times as many miles of road and five times as many miles of path to take care of. It would seem to be reasonable to suppose that it would cost as much money to take care of Greenwood as of Prospect Park. At present the sources of income are three:—

First.—The sale of lots. Second.—The digging of graves. Third.—Interest on the reserve.

Of course after awhile all revenue from the first source will end. There is still a vast territory to be sold, but it is going off steadily, and in time must end altogether. The regular charge for opening a grave is \$5, and this carries with it an obligation of perpetual care of the grave. It must be sodded, mowed and kept in shape. The last time this year graves opened will be quite swamped by the expenses attending the care and protection of the graves themselves, so that the whole permanent care of the cemetery will depend upon the third source of income.

RIGHT THOUSAND SUNKEN GRAVES, every one of which had to be filled up, freshly mounded and returned. Constant supervision is absolutely necessary in the winter and spring, when rains and freshets undermine the vaults and sink the graves in all parts of the grounds. The income from the first source in the last fiscal year was \$100,087.20, and from the second, \$13,562.50. It is believed by the trustees that at the time the receipts from patients were paid, the cemetery was quite swamped by the expenses attending the care and protection of the graves themselves, so that the whole permanent care of the cemetery will depend upon the third source of income.

THE RESERVE FUND. Concerning this fund there has been a great deal of gossip and speculation as to its amount and what was done with it. According to the books the following are the figures:—

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